## Violations in the Office of Marriage Part 6 The Violations of Homosexuality and the Homosexual Marriages Part C

**D.** God warned them against going into Homosexuality: We continue in this message to speak about the violations in the office of marriage and in pertain to homosexual marriages.

Some said that Christ did not mention anything about homosexuality and they used that as a base to justify this sin. But that is not correct. They are mistaken. Also some they say that Jesus did not condemn the homosexuals. That is also not correct. Jesus condemned homosexuality as He approved the judgment of God on Sodom. Indeed, Christ condemned the sin of homosexuality when He mentioned that his judgment will be sudden, and the same as the judgment that God sent on Sodom and Gomorrha, "28 Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; 29 But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. 30 Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed. 31 In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back." (Luke 17:28-31 KJV) One of the sins that made God condemned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha was homosexuality, in addition to that was the sin of injustice, abuse, laziness, the people were doing their own will and plans and living to satisfy their flesh desires of eating and drinking.

Apostle Peter condemned the sin of homosexuality by mentioning Lot as a righteous man, and that he was tormented and vexed being in the midst of people who were doing filthy and indecent things, "6 And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly; 7 And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked: 8 (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds;)" (2 Peter 2:6-8 KJV) The Greek Word that used for 'filthy' is 'Aselgeia', which means unbridled lust, excess, licentiousness, lasciviousness, wantonness, outrageousness, shamelessness, and insolence. Peter used the Word 'Aselgeia', here to condemn the homosexuality of the people around Lot.

The same Word 'Aselgeia', mentioned in the Gospel of Mark by Jesus, "20 And he said, That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man. 21 For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, 22 Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness." (Mark 7:20-22 KJV) So Jesus condemned homosexuality. The English Word here for 'Aselgeia' is 'lasciviousness'. Those who are promoting homosexuality inside the churches are wicked ungodly men.

The same Word 'Aselgeia' for 'lasciviousness', mentioned by Jude the half brother of Jesus, "4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ." (Jude 1:4 KJV) So Jude inclusively in his writing condemned homosexuality. Jude also mentioned the punishment for homosexuality

when he mentioned that eternal fire will be given to men who are going after strange flesh as the men of Sodom and Gomorrha, "7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire." (Jude 1:7 KJV) The Hebrew Word for 'strange', is 'Hetero', which means of another nature, or one not of the same nature, form, class, kind, different. Man should copulate with a woman being his wife that is the familiar thing, but when he practices sex with man then that is the strange flesh Jude spoke about.

Apostle Paul mentioned in his letter to the Romans the sins of homosexuality, that is in the Gentiles, more profoundly and he linked it with their rejection of the Creator and their worship of idols that composed of worshipping created things. Therefore, in response to that sin that they committed, God gave them over to their sinful nature and were enslaved to uncleanness through the lusts of their hearts, and that led them to dishonor their bodies between themselves; God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature. Also, their men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another, working that which is improper and non-decent.

"18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; 19 Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. 20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: 21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, 23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. 24 Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: 25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. 26 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: 27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet. 28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; 29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, 30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, 31 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: 32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them." (Romans 1:18-32 KJV) Someone would say, 'Why God allow that or why God gave them over in this way to the unseemly things? My answer to this question is in this way: When God made Himself well know to them and still they decided to worship the created things and not the Creator, then they are choosing to worship idols; so exactly they are doing the opposite, then for the same reason He made them forsake the natural use and made them do the opposite thing in choosing homosexuality, "25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. 26 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: 27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet." (Romans 1:25-27 KJV)

It is a fair matter; when the church people put aside the Word of God and entertain worldly celebrations, and idols, and focus on them and maintain them, then they are no more prioritizing what the Word of God is telling them, and that will lead them to be drifted away from the way that God wants them to go. Instead they will go toward idol worship and demons, and in doing that they will expose themselves to threats and hazards and among these is the issue of homosexuality.

Regarding the issue of homosexuality invading the churches and for homosexual marriages to become acceptable, I hear some who say, 'What had happened to the church?' They are wondering and they cannot explain why such a grave thing is becoming acceptable. The truth is this: When the church forsakes God's Word by allowing sinful practices, immoralities, idols, celebrations and days to be observed that are not in the Bible, then the church becomes an idol worshipper, and how a person who is worshipping idols can stand against the devil that is injecting homosexuality to God's church? Sure he cannot stand until he repents and throws all these idols and sinful practices away out of his life.

The church today should earnestly repent and seek to go back to God and His Word. Every church's pastor and leader should work with God in starting to eliminate one by one all these idols and what is not instituted in God's Word.

Everyone should realize that the harm that would come on God's church from idols and wrong traditions and worldly practices is more potent and more harmful to the church than other threats including the threats of persecution.

The church instead should win those souls for Christ, and teach them how to repent and renounce such sins. Apostle Paul wrote the following to the Corinthians, "9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, 10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God." (1 Corinthians 6:9-11 KJV) Here he condemned the sin of homosexuality when he mentioned that neither the effeminate nor the abuser of themselves with mankind will inherit the Kingdom of God, "Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, 10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God." (1 Corinthians 6:9-10 KJV) The meaning of 'effeminate', is soft to the touch, and it is used to describe a boy kept for homosexual relations with a man, and who submits his body to unnatural lewdness; such will also be called male prostitute.

Paul mentioned further that some of them, the Corinthians, were like that. But he added and said that now they were cleansed and sanctified, as an indication of their repentance, "11 And

such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God." (1 Corinthians 6:11 KJV) So in the ministry of Paul, the homosexuals were included in the church after they repented of the sin of homosexuality and came back to the ordinances of God. So it was not as we see today, that the homosexuals are part of God's church with their sins are condoned and accepted.

Why this shameful thing happening now to the church? Apostle Paul did not accept idols, worldly and immoral practices when he preached to the Gentiles, "14 Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry. 15 I speak as to wise men; judge ye what I say. 16 The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? 17 For we being many are one bread, and one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread. 18 Behold Israel after the flesh: are not they which eat of the sacrifices partakers of the altar? 19 What say I then? that the idol is any thing, or that which is offered in sacrifice to idols is any thing? 20 But I say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils. 21 Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils. 22 Do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? are we stronger than he?" (1 Corinthians 10:14-22 KJV) Paul was very firm with them to eliminate idols and all the sinful practices of the Gentiles and the immoralities from their midst. The Church of God at Corinth was having a lot of spiritual problems and sins, but nothing was reported among them about homosexuality because Paul did not condone to them any of their idols, nor their immoralities nor their worldly practices. What I want to say, is that when you allow idols, immoralities and worldliness to enter God's church, then homosexuality will be there too. So be aware!

Paul also spoke the same and condemned the sin of homosexuality in his letter to Timothy, mentioning also that the law of God condemns this sin: "9 Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, 10 For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine." (1 Timothy 1:9-10 KJV)

My Dear and Beloved: In the same way, we need to teach our leaders and ministers about the same matter, and in return every leader today should be firm with his congregation members and cleanses every individual and family from idols, immoralities and worldly practices to secure that no threat to come inside the church from homosexuality.

Let us be willing to remove and eradicate all the roots cause of homosexuality. Let us be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power as we are willing to remove all the idols and high places, the corruption that had introduced to the church offices through the acceptance of the practices of the world, like Halloween, Harvest, All Saint's Day, Valentine, Father's Day, Mother's Day, Birthday's celebrations, Christmas and New year celebration, boyfriend, girlfriend, dating, courting, extravagant expenses, naked dress, make up, divorce and remarriage, wrong marriages, marriages with non-believers, non prepared marriages, Friend Day, Pastor Month, Easter egg, Easter Bunny, the practice of tattooing, the corrupted practices of dealing with finances and the wrong resources for money whether for the church or the individuals, and the rest of the sins that will come across our way. We need to eradicate

these practices and the rest to come from ourselves, our families, and our congregations to get fully delivered out from the hand of the devil.

Let us pray ....

My Prayer: Father God, I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins, who was buried and rose from the dead to give me eternal life. Lord thank you for your encouraging Word that motivated me to go forward with you to cleanse your churches from all the defilements, immoralities, idol worship, worldly practices and the sin of homosexuality and homosexual marriages.

Lord I commit myself to go along your will to cleanse the churches of yours from immorality, the worldliness and the traditional and sinful practices, and from all the feasts offered to idols and from homosexuality and homosexual marriages. Lord fill me with the Holy Spirit and protect me as I go forward to serve you.

Lord thank you for my Brothers and Sisters who committed themselves and are willing to cleanse your churches from such abomination of homosexuality and the rest of the idolatrous feasts and immoral and worldly practices. Lord lead them to the places that they need to go and use them to bring people out from the darkness into the light.

Lord help us as your church and sustain us in this ministry against homosexuality and the rest of the idolatrous feasts and the immoral and the worldly practices that invaded your churches. Lord protect us from persecution. We come against all the works of the devil and demons, and we rebuke them all in the name of Jesus. Lord refill us once again with the Holy Spirit and give us the spiritual gifts that we need to go and serve you. Lord enable us to evangelize and to reach new people with the gospel of Jesus. Lord fulfill the vision of the church, 'Multiplication in peace with implementing the whole will of God.' Lord help us to plant new Bible studies and new congregations for the church. Lord we pray for more people to get water baptized and receive the Holy Spirit baptism. Lord bless us, enlarge our territory, let your hand be with us, and free us from harm so that we will not feel pain. May the grace of the Lord Jesus and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all in Jesus name, Amen.

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